

LDC Group Intervention

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Dear Co-facilitators

Lesotho will be speaking on behalf of the LDC group. We would like to associate ourselves with the statement made by G77 and China.

On the workshop, the LDC group would like to appreciate the host governments Maldives and Germany for hosting the fifth and sixth workshops. We particularly want to appreciate the government of Maldives for all the hospitality. We would also like to thank the Secretariat for their hard work in organizing these workshops.

We look forward to reading the outcome report of the workshop. In our belief the workshop was a good space for wide stakeholder consultation, but we still struggle to assess the progress we have made. The conversations seem to still lack focus in bridging the understanding on the operationalization of the GGA.

Thus, our group remains concerned about the progress we are making under the work programme considering the short amount of time we have before COP28. We would like to finalize the framework with the substance agreed. Thus, we recommend that, in the subsequent workshops, there is a final session for parties to make an attempt in narrowing down ideas and discussion;

For the LDC group the substance of the framework is targets and indicators. The reason for this is, as we have been reflecting over the past few workshops is, to achieve the global goal on adaptation with the view to enhancing adaptation action and support, including for reviewing overall progress made in achieving the Global Goal on Adaptation, as per decision 3/CMA.4 paragraph 9.

Thus our group would like to propose an overarching target that reads “ Decides By 20xx, to reduce vulnerability and enhance long-term resilience and adaptive capacity reaching and benefiting xxx billion people and their livelihoods, conserving xx % of land, freshwater, and ocean ecosystems in line with the 1.5 degree target while increasing action and support in line with increasing demand from increasing global warming.”

We believe an overarching target will be quality and quantify the global goal on adaptation as presented in paragraph 7.1. Our group is happy to utilize upcoming workshops to further quantify the specific figures of these overarching targets.

We would also like to propose that parties develop specific targets for impact, vulnerability, and risk assessment, planning, implementation, and MEL along the adaptation policy cycle.

Furthermore, we would like to propose that parties develop specific targets for the themes as identified for themes listed under Para XX 3 CMA 4.

Our group also sees the need for further work on the development of indicators that would be part of the framework to make an adequate assessment of progress at the global level. This, in our group's understanding, is something technical experts need to undertake instead of negotiating in such a setting. Thus, we would like to request the IPCC to develop these indicators in line with the targets that would be identified by parties by COP28.